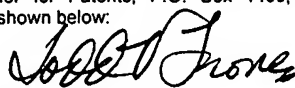


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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO FIRST OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed July 27, 2006 (Paper No. 20060724) in the above-referenced patent application, Applicants submit the within Amendment. Enclosed herewith is a 3-month petition for extension of time and payment of the requisite fee under 37 CFR § 1.17(a), thus making this Amendment a timely response.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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